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Applicant: George A. Pecoraro et al.
Appl. No.: 09/780,887
Filed: February 9, 2001
Title: METHODS OF ADJUSTING GLASS MELTING AND FORMING TEMPERATURES WITHOUT SUBSTANTIALLY CHANGING BENDING AND ANNEALING TEMPERATURES AND GLASS ARTICLES PRODUCED THEREBY

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COMMUNICATION
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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The Advisory Action mailed April 3, 2003, states that the amendment filed on March 18, 2003, will not be entered. The Examination of the above application is being continued to have the amendment of March 18, 2003, entered and considered.

The Advisory Action indicated that the Terminal Disclaimer filed on March 18, 2003, is not accepted. Upon reconsideration of this matter and taking note that no claims are allowed in the instant application and in copending application 09/974,124, applicants will file a terminal disclaimer when there are allowed conflicting claims.

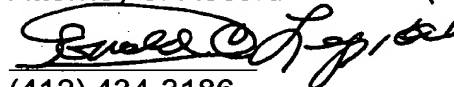
Applicants take note of the issue of duplicate claims between the instant application and copending application 09/974,124. Applicants acknowledge that making a showing that the inventions were commonly owned at the time the invention in this application was made will preclude a rejection under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) based upon the commonly assigned case as a reference under 35 U.S.C. 102(f) or (g), or 35 U.S.C. 102(e) for applications filed on or after November 29, 1999.

The undersigned states that his investigation into this matter leads him to conclude that the inventions were commonly owned by PPG Industries Ohio, a wholly-owned subsidiary of PPG Industries, Inc., at the time the inventions in this application and in U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/974,124 were made.

The Advisory Action stated that the information disclosure statement filed January 14, 2003, was not entered because it lacked a fee. Applicants respectfully submit that no fee is due because it was forwarded to the Examiner less than three months after it was received by Applicants. To eliminate this issue, this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed to have the documents made of record and considered. More particularly, the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 are brought to the attention of the United States Patent and Trademark Office with respect to the application identified above in accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98. Copies of the documents listed are in the file and no additional copies are believed necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

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